

## Applicant(s) Application No. KORETZ, JANE F. 10/727,734 Notice of Allowability Art Unit Examiner 3735 John R. Sanders -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to the Amendment filed 18 January 2006. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-5,7-14 and 16</u>. 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). b) Some\* c) None of the: 1. \(\subseteq\) Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_ 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). \* Certified copies not received: Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) $\square$ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_ (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413), 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) Paper No./Mail Date 7. X Examiner's Amendment/Comment 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date 4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material 9. ☐ Other .

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## **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Sander Rabin on 31 March 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

<u>In claim 1:</u> after the last line delete "." and insert

wherein said electromagnetic wave exposure device comprises a slit beam of a slit beam projection lamp and said imaging device comprises a Scheimpflug videography system.--

In claim 13: after the last line delete "." and insert

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wherein said step of simultaneously exposing comprises simultaneously illuminating said eye using a slit beam of a slit lamp projection lamp and said step of simultaneously imaging comprises simultaneously videographing said eye using a Scheimpflug videography device.

Claims 6, 15 and 17-19 are hereby cancelled.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

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3. The closest prior art of record is shown by the patents to Vogelsang and Nanjo, of record. Vogelsang discloses a method and device for measuring the dynamic behavior of the eye wherein wavefront imaging of the eye is performed during dynamic accommodative stimulation using Badal optic target projection. However, Vogelsang does not teach or suggest a device for dynamic Scheimpflug imaging during an accommodative stimulation. Nanjo discloses a Scheimpflug photographic apparatus for imaging the lateral cross-section of the anterior chamber of the eye. However, Nanjo does not teach or suggest the use of dynamic Scheimpflug imaging during accommodative stimulation using Badal optic target projection. Thus the prior art does not expressly disclose or render obvious the limitations of a device incorporating Scheimpflug videography of the anterior chamber during dynamic accommodative stimulation via Badal optic target projection.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John R. Sanders whose telephone number is (571) 272-4742. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patricia Bianco can be reached on (571) 272-4940. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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JRS

31 March 2006

PATRICIA BIANCO PRIMARY EXAMINER